

decrypting the encrypted data stream using an equivalent of the first encryption key and the variable; and

using the decrypted data stream.

*21.* The method of claim *27*, wherein the variable corresponds to a real time and date of transmission.

*22.* The method of claim *21*, wherein the variable corresponds to a real time of transmission.

*23.* The method of claim *21*, wherein the variable corresponds to a date of transmission.--

~~Please cancel claims 15, 16 and 26.~~

### REMARKS

Please reconsider the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

#### **I. Disposition of Claims**

Claims 2-17, 19-21 and 24-26 are currently pending in the application. Claims 15,16 and 26 have been cancelled. Claims 27-30 have been added.

#### **II. Claim Objections**

The Examiner objected to claims 15 and 16, indicating that these claims contained allowable subject matter and would be allowed if rewritten in independent form incorporating all the limitations of the base and intervening claims. The Applicant thanks the Examiner for his